



UHC Movement Political Panel Terms of reference

Purpose:

- The UHC Movement Political Panel provides guidance to the UHC2030 Steering Committee through the UHC2030 Secretariat to strengthen political support for universal health coverage (UHC);
- The Political Panel also helps convey UHC2030's consolidated messages to high-level political leaders to ensure their commitments translate into action in countries.

Role and responsibilities:

- Provide insights on opportunities that UHC2030 may use to further leverage political processes to sustain high-level momentum on UHC and ensure follow-up on the UHC political declarations were adopted during the 2019 and 2023 UN High-level meetings;
- Help the UHC2030 Secretariat reach out to specific processes to influence agendas and mobilize political and financial support.

Ways of working, including support and coordination:

- The panel is convened by the UHC2030 Secretariat in person once a year on the margins of high-level political or economic forums and engaged in quarterly teleconferences as needed.
- It ensures full transparency, with regular communication with the UHC2030 Steering Committee through the UHC2030 Secretariat.
- UHC2030 Secretariat provides light-touch secretariat support and coordination. It does not provide personal assistance to individual members of the Political Panel.
- The Political Panel has no legal status or binding obligations to the UHC2030 Secretariat.

Appointment process and terms:

- The UHC2030 Secretariat nominates members for the UHC Movement Political Panel based on suggestions from co-chairs and the Steering Committee.
- The UHC2030 Steering Committee approves nominations and the WHO appoints them.
- Each member of the Political Panel serves a one-year term and is eligible for re-appointment for a maximum of two additional terms.
- Up to ten members serve for the political panel in the same term.
- The members receive no remuneration apart from travel and accommodation costs associated with relevant UHC2030 co-hosting events or UN official meetings attended on behalf of UHC2030, if necessary.
- Criteria: current or former minister or head of partnership/agency/ministry (across government), with personal capacity to connect with and leverage relevant political processes, institutions and stakeholders (e.g. UN, G20 + G7, EU, AU, ASEAN+3, APEC, MERCOSUR, and political players such as members of parliament and local authorities).